

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to refer to the priority applications.

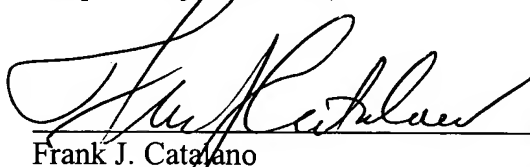
This application was filed with claims 1-17. Claims 1-11 and 14 have been canceled. Claims 12, 13 and 15-17 are the only claims remaining in the case.

A check in the amount of \$385.00 is enclosed. Should a fee deficiency have occurred, the Director is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1971 per 37 C.F.R. § 1.25.

Also enclosed please find a copy of the Petition and Fee for Extension of Time which is being filed in the parent application. The period for response will expire on March 20, 2004 (Saturday).

Please note attorney of record's new address/contact information.

Respectfully submitted,

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